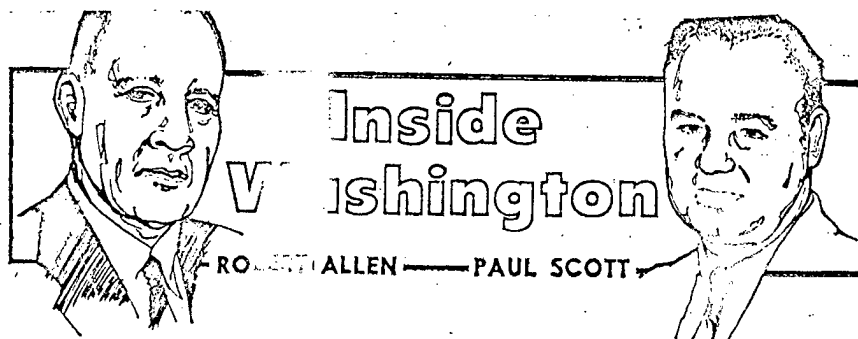


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Black Militants Studied

WASHINGTON — The formation of a new black militant group in riot-scarred Detroit is being carefully watched by Justice Department and congressional investigators.

Called the "Federation for Self-Determination," the black power brain trust was set up by the controversial Rev. Albert Cleage Jr., a former Black Muslim and close confidant of the late Malcolm X.

The militant Cleage, who frankly talks about guerrilla warfare breaking out in U.S. cities next year, is privately saying his new group is designed for militant blacks to gain political, economic, and physical control of Detroit's Negro community.

RAP TIES

According to federal investigators, Cleage already has established close ties with Stokely Carmichael, pro-Castro black revolutionary leader, and H. Rap Brown, head of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, who is under indictment in Maryland for inciting riot.

In private meetings with these and other black militants from Chicago, Philadelphia, and New York, Cleage has urged them to set up similar black militant brain trusts in their cities to operate closely with his.

"If we link these groups together, the white power structure will have to

deal with us because we represent the masses of people and especially the young," Cleage stated at one secret meeting. "Organization is the key to black revolution."

In discussing how these groups can be financed, Cleage pointed out that his Detroit group was setting up what he called an Urban Research Center to obtain grants from private foundations, church groups, and federal agencies.

"We are going to take money from whatever source we can get it," Cleage reported. "All through 1967 black power groups have been calling for organization. Our group should be a model for all."

CHECKING THE SOURCE

The Justice Department and congressional probers are also checking another black militant group that Cleage created and now heads, the so-called Citywide Citizens Action Committee (CCAC).

At the request of President Johnson's special Commission on Civil Disorder, the Justice Department is examining FBI and CIA reports that the CCAC has received money from Communist sources abroad.

Also under scrutiny by the Justice Department are the activities of Milton Henry, the self-styled leader of "Black Rebellion" and one of Cleage's top lieutenants in the CCAC.

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